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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: 14 December 1954 Briefing of the Task Force on Intelligence Activities.

1. The major topics of discussion during the WH Division Briefing today were:

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25X1A6a [redacted] in [redacted] 25X1A6a
Conditions in [redacted]
25X1A6a [redacted] Operations
Personnel Problems. 25X6A

25X1X4 2. Early in the day Colonel Lane raised the question whether the Division felt that adequate coverage was being given to this large area in the [redacted] Colonel Lane stated, "One of the tasks that Mr. Hoover has given us is one of determining whether the large amount of money CIA spends for [redacted] is properly distributed. 25X1X4 I am most interested in this subject and feel that the funds your Division has budgeted for this program are relatively small since your area covers [redacted] where you can operate rather freely." One of his specific questions put to [redacted] was, 25X1A9a "Do you feel that the funds you have for [redacted] are sufficient to 25X1X4 adequately cover this large area?" He was informed that our immediate need was not more money but actually more trained personnel and that the Division, in making up the budget, is thus limited by its capabilities.

25X1A9a 3. Colonel Lane is not delving into problems of logistics or budget with any of the area divisions, explaining that he would rather get this in one package from [redacted] so that he can get the over-all picture. At the end of the day Colonel Lane complimented [redacted] 25X1A9a 25X1A9a [redacted] on having an excellent staff composed of especially well qualified people who know where they are going.

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